Clearance of arrears to Andhra Pradesh Government

3976. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has asked to clear Rs. 500 crores as arrears to enable it to open the Singareni Coalfields Ltd. closed due to strike by workers; and

(b) if so, the action taken to clear the arrears ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of answer given to part (a) above.

Target of coal production by MCL

3977. SHRI ANANTA SETHI : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the target fixed by the Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. (MCL) for production of coal during the last three years;

(b) the actual achievement made thereon; and

(c) the colliery-wise details thereof alongwith the estimated coal reserves in each colliery of MCL at present ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN) : (a) and (b) The target for coal production and achievement thereof during the last three years is given below :

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited

(In million tonnes)

1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01	
Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
41.00	43.51	41.00	43.55	43.00	44.80